



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

October 7, 2002

**H.R. 3954
Caribbean National Forest Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 2002**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on October 3, 2002*

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 3954 would have no significant impact on the federal budget. The act would not affect direct spending or revenues. H.R. 3954 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined by the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

H.R. 3954 would designate certain segments of three rivers in the Caribbean National Forest/Luquillo Experimental Forest as wild, scenic, and recreational rivers under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Based on information from the Forest Service we estimate that changing the designation of those rivers would not significantly affect the agency's costs to manage them.

On May 6, 2002, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 3954 as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on April 24, 2002. The two versions of this legislation are identical, and our cost estimates are the same.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Megan Carroll. This estimate was approved by Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.